



retreats: FRA A bur r PAR.  
AUSTRIA(Wall): A BER \$ ita A mun; F NAF-mid.  
ENGLAND(K Brown): A KIE & A RUH MS; F nwy-STP/NC; F hel-HQ;  
F den-BAL(S F SWE).  
FRANCE(J Ellis): A BEL-bur; A pic-PAR; A gas-POR(C F MID);  
A par-GAS.  
ITALY(Holley): A BUR \$ & A BOH S A mun; A MUN S A bur;  
A pie-VEN; A tys-TUN(S F IDN); F SPA/SC H(S F LYO);  
A BUD H.  
RUSSIA(Mallia): A stp-MOS(S A WAR); A SIL-ber.  
TURKEY(Johnston): NMR; has F AEG, F ALB, F BLA, A TRI,  
A VIE, A SER, A LVN, A SEV, A UKR.

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A (tun) ber 1 -1
E home nwy den kie STP HOL SWE 9 +3
F bre par por (hol) bel 4 -1
I home (tri) (vie) bud spa mun mar TUN 8 -1
R (stp) (swe) war MOS 2 -1
T home bul ser gre sev rum (mos) TRI VIE 10 +1
WINTER 1905 and SPRING 1906 are due November 12. Would MARK
KELLER please standby for TURKEY.

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PARIS-ROME: DIE DIE DIE DIE DIE DIE DIE! ((A word processor makes typing press like this easy.))

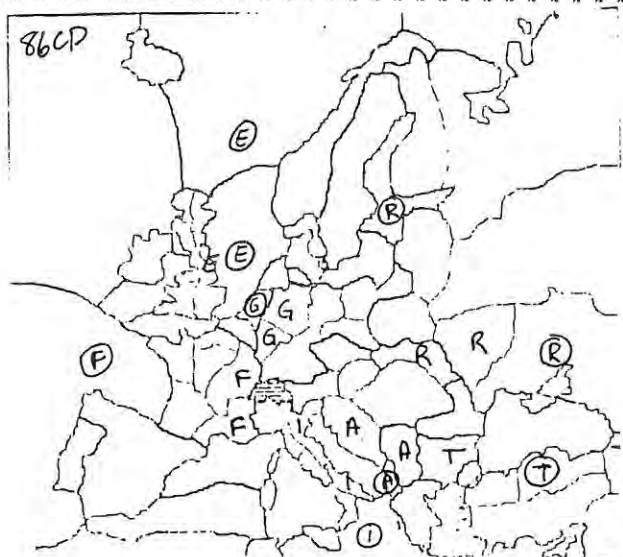
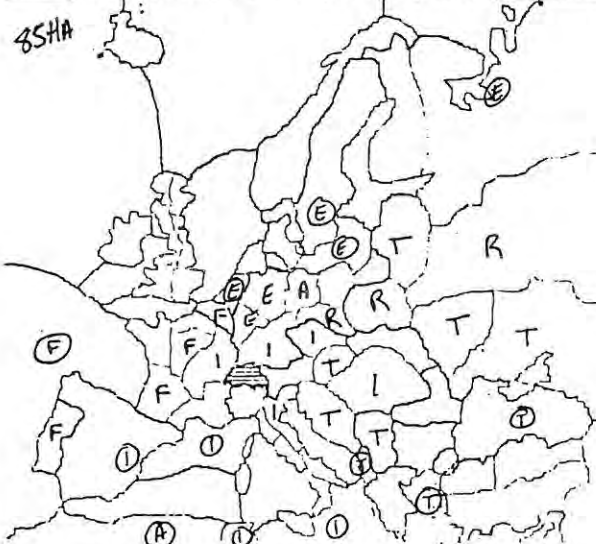
AUSTRIA(Pierce): A vie-TRI; A bud-SER; F tri-ALB.  
 ENGLAND(Ellis): F lon-NTH; F edi-NWG; A lvp-YOR.  
 FRANCE(Drane): F bre-MID; A par-BUR(S A MAR).  
 GERMANY(Bishop): A mun-RUH; A ber-KIE; F kte-HOL.  
 ITALY(Atkins): F nap-ION; A rom-APU; A VEN H.  
 RUSSIA(Russ): F stp/sc-BOT; A mos-UKR; A war-GAL; F SEV-bla.  
 TURKEY(Oaklyn): A con-BUL; A sny-ARM; F ANK-bla.

MOSCOW-ENGLAND: Russian winters are cold! Head for the green pastures of the sunny south.  
LONDON: The English military today was put on full combat alert. Prime Minister Ellis was not available for comment why such an alert was activated.  
ITALY-ENGLAND: Thanks. We'll return the favor next year.  
MOSCOW-ITALY,AUSTRIA: You both are cordially invited to dinner. We'll be having roast Turkey.  
ROMA: The Commandatore of the Regimento di Vermicelli Prima, Euripides Pantaloonasanayouded, announced the opening of a new fishing expedition. The fleet of five vessels was launched in April, to the sound of clarion and the amazement of the shipwrights who had not finished the water proofing. Said the Commandatore, "That's OK by me, no? My cousin owns a salvage business. We'll do fine no matter what."  
MOSCOW-TURKEY: Silence is interpreted as hostility.  
TURIN: President Emile (Amiable) Loubet made a surprise inspection of kitchens throughout the city last week. After five hours of opening cabinets, tasting condimenti, and

SIBERIAN FREE PRESS: Sweden has voiced its wishes to be part of Mother Russia. How could we refuse? A small fleet based in St. Petersburg en route to Sweden left this spring expecting to dock in Stockholm in the Fall.

BELGOROD-DNESTROVSKIY: (Turkish press) The large lake of Dnestrovskiy Liman, near Odessa, became muddy with a greenish tint. The population feared the escape of rotten eggs in the gaseous form from the not-so-volcanic berms surrounding the lake. "Rotten eggs! Did you say rotten eggs!" screamed the Tzar. "Quick, put my mother-in-law-on-my-Turkish-side-of-the-family picture back up on the mantel!" When asked if this meant the Sultan was coming, the Tzar replied with a shiver, "Man, can't you hear the sound of that Cessna engine warming up?" With that comment, the Tzar puffed on his stogie, pulled tant on his crying towel, and disappeared into the play room where his computer games awaited his pleasure.

AUSTRIA(Shellnut?): NMR; A vie-TRI; A BUD H; F tri-ALB.  
ENGLAND(Kueker?): NMR; F LON; F edi-NTH; A lvp-YOR.  
FRANCE(Coufal): F bre-MID; A par-BUR; A MAR-SPA.  
GERMANY(Wallis): A mun-RUH; A ber-KIE; F kie-DEN.  
ITALY(Dousette): F nap-ION; A rom-VEN; A ven-TYO.  
RUSSIA(Braille): F stp/sc-BOT; A mos-UKR; A war-GAL;  
F sev-bla.  
TURKEY(Burroughs): A con-BUL; A smy-ARM; F ANK-bla.

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ENGLAND(Schunck) A lon-PIC(C F ENG); A edi-BEL(C F NTH);  
F nat-MID; F bot-BAL; A lvn-WAR(S A MOS); F den-KIE;  
F mid-SPA/SC.  
FRANCE(Coughlan) A UKR \$ eng A mos-sev(NSO); A BUR S F mar;  
A MUN-tyo; F MAR & A GAS & A POR S eng F mid-spa/sc;  
A boh-VIE(S A GAL); F BRE \$ eng F eng-mid(NSO).  
ITALY(Doornkamp?) NMR; has F PIE, F LYD, A TYO, A VEN,  
A BUL, F AEG, F WES, F NAF; A vie(d,r TRI\*).\*  
RUSSIA(Jacobs?) NMR; has F BLA, A RUM, A ARM.  
TURKEY(Gautron) A CON S F ank; F SMY & F ANK S A con.

#### 1908 SUPPLY CENTERS

E home den swe hol kie nwy	13 bid A LON, A EDI,
stp mos BEL WAR SPA	F LVP.
F home por (spa) ber (bel) mun (war) VIE	7 rem F bre, A ukr
I home tun tri ser gre bul (vie)	8 GM rem F naf
R sev rum bud	3 even
T home	3 even

SPRING 1909 (with retreats) is due DECEMBER 10, 1986. EFI & EF fail 2-1, and I 0-3. EF and EFI are proposed again, NVR is no. Teijo said he'd take the position if I delayed the game for him; this is 7 weeks late and still nothing. Would ROBERT O'DONNELL, 905 N Ninth (lower), Klamath Falls OR 97601-2814 USA (from EE's Malmberger list) please standby for ITALY. I will wait to call a player for Russia.

#### bahnhof zoo press

ENGLAND-FRANCE: Please excuse me for that. The idea grew when you proposed a solo win for England. Actually, I do regret it yet. Hope you gain 2nd place.

FRANCE-ENGLAND: You sure roam around a lot lately! Did you father tell you about the wonderful conversation I had with him? How about Thomas Franke? Or Hauke Jensen? I woke up many Europeans that night!! But you weren't one of them!

FRANCE-FRAUKE: Be sure to check out the installment of the World War I Chronology ((in EUROPA EXPRESS)). There is something about Eckernfoerde in there! You won't be any more surprised that I was!

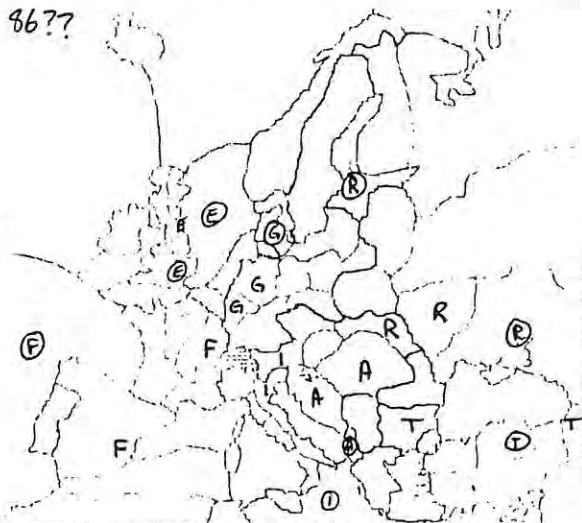
ENGLAND-GM: I did recognize the wrong maps in Autumn 1907, but failed to mention it. Sorry. (Press cont. next column).

#### 85HG BAHNHOF FRIEDRICHSTRASSE SPRING 1903

AUSTRIA(Caws) A ser-GRE; F aeg \$ A ser-gre(d,r EAS);  
A bud-TRI(S A VIE).  
ENGLAND(McIntyre) A nwy-STP; F swe-DEN; A den-HEL(S F NTH);  
A lon-YOR; F ENG practices treading water.  
FRANCE(Strauss) A bre-PIC(S A BUR); A GAS S A bur;  
F mid-IRI; F spa/sc-WES.  
GERMANY(Smith) A MUN H; A ber-KIE; A BEL & A HOL MS;  
F hel-den(d,r OTB).  
ITALY(Baker) F nap-TYS; A tun-ALB(C F ION); A ven-TYO;  
A tri \$ tur A alb-ser(d,r VEN).  
RUSSIA(Gardner) A GAL-bud; A war-MOS; F stp/sc-FIN;  
A RUM S tur A alb-ser; F SEV S A rum.  
TURKEY(Pater) F smy-AEG(S F CON); A alb-SER(S A BUL).

FALL & WINTER 1904 (with retreats) is due DECEMBER 10, 1986.

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#### bahnhof friedrichstr press

LON-MOS: First you invite me to Swe so you can support me to Den, then you run home and leave to fend for myself. I'm laughing...

PARIS-LONDON: So you knew what I was up to?

RUS-ITA: Oh really? Can I quote you on that?

TUR-AUS: Perhaps you didn't find my letters until now, by opening the zine I send you!

RUS-AUS: You're either very trusting or in deep doo-doo.

#### bahnhof zoo press continued

TUR-GER: Bye Ivo. Hello Malc. Letter will come in time.

FRANCE-ITALY: The King is dead! Long live the King! (But must he always be Dutch?)

ENGLAND-ITALY: Welcome aboard the Zoo. Don't get excited, the game is almost done.

FRANCE-TURKEY: You will survive. I feel it in my bones.

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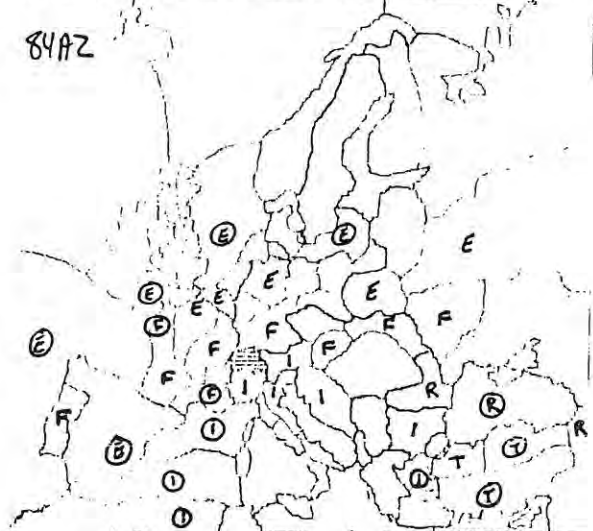
#### ENDGAME STATEMENT

RON BROWN (Bad Brain, Russia, winner): I think the one who should be congratulated is Mark Keller. After only 2 centres in 1905 to 13 in 1918 is great. As I indicated in my final press release, the only reason I won and Mark didn't is because Kevin decided to protect against Turkey and let Russia move in on him. It could have been the other way around.

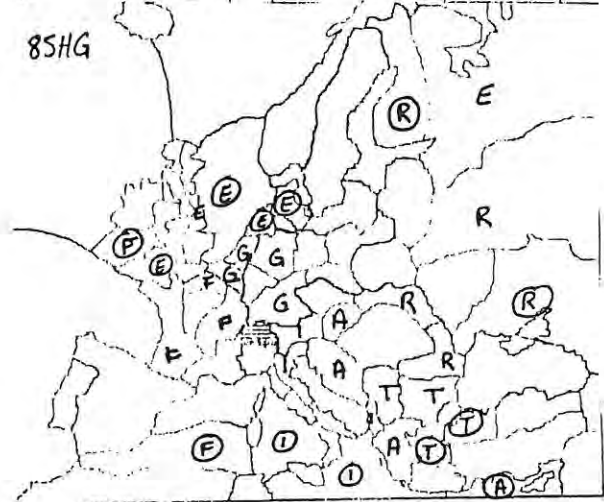
My strategy was simple: stem the French tide, then push him back. Germany had one lone fleet in Denmark when I came into the game and that piece was crucial. If France broke through into the Baltic then we may as well have conceded the game. So I wrote Germany and asked him what he'd like to do: survive, be eliminated, get revenge? He was so pleased that I asked for his opinion on his future that he was wonderfully cooperative right until his final elimination, by which time I had enough fleet power to control France's presence in the north. So thanks to Craig for providing yet another example of what a one-centre power can do, and why one should write polite letters to other players from time to time.

Mark and I were pretty thick and I was content with the alliance all game. It was working to both our advantages, and

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I never got any other offers in any case. Mark sent a post card every season, if only to chit-chat a bit. I didn't get more than one or two letters from Kevin all game, and it seems to me he should have been trying every trick in the book to get me to change directions. I'm not complaining: it makes the game a lot easier to play when you don't have to make decisions. Kevin pointed out in the press that Mark was taking centres from me. That's right. I told him to take them. I had promised him those centres earlier in the game when it looked like we were heading for a two-way draw. I keep my word to allies, unless I have compelling reasons not to. I could pick up centres from France to make up for whatever Turkey took, so it was no big deal. I had more armies than I knew what to do with anyhow.

Basically, it was fun. I enjoy closely fought battles, and there was more than one season when I was biting my nails to see if I had attacked the right space. Kevin did put up a good fight and kept it interesting.

Thanks to Scott for great GMing.

((You're too kind. Even though the game was long, I enjoyed following it the whole time. I also got a bit of a lesson on the game from Ron, as he included comments each season with his moves. Of course I couldn't comment back to him, but I can report he was right the good share of the time.

((Is there a difference in winning if you have not stabbed you ally? Ron could have won a bit earlier with a timely stab of Turkey. Perhaps it's like going for the 17/17 draw, which some find more satisfying than a win.

((Ron adds this footnote "Thanks, super, for the beer opener. How did you know that I have a terrible time when I get together with the boys for a bit of wargaming and beer, as I can never get those damned "Easy Twist-Off" caps off. "Give the damn thing a twist!" they all advise as I grunt and sweat, tearing chunks out of my fingers on the sharp edges of the caps. Now, I can just whip out my trusty imported (how Yuppy!) beer opener and rip those caps off the way God intended they should be removed. Very thoughtful of you"))

#### MORE COMMENTS ON GM POLICIES

PETER SULLIVAN: Funny, my policy on not voting is exactly the opposite of yours, viz. NVR=Yes, NMR=No. My reasoning is that if a player can't be bothered to read the game report properly, I don't see why I should protect him from an unwanted draw. However, I count NMRs against, as it may well be that it's the Post Office's fault rather than the player concerned. An NMR can cause enough damage without causing a premature - and unwanted - finish to the game.

As for your draw dilemma, I avoid it by taking all draw proposals submitted in a season, arranging them in random order, and calling them A), B), C) etc. and then saying that if more than one is passed, the first one on the list takes priority. Thus, if a player prefers a later proposal he has to vote down all the earlier ones or risk one of them being passed. It's simple and avoids all the problems you envisage.

((The draw dilemma was meant to be a bit facetious. Then again, if the players are paying so little attention to the game that they pass two incompatible draws, maybe they deserve whatever they get. Concession to the GM, perhaps?))

KEVIN TIGHE: I think there are a lot more DIAS-loving people out there than GMs realize. As you mentioned, I'm one of the GMs offering DIAS games on a regular basis, but I do have an option for non-DIAS games if all seven players vote for it at the gamestart. After 4 gamestarts no more than 2 players per game have voted against DIAS. Personally I'd like to see more GMs have a DIAS option if people want to play it, say a majority vote in Spring 1901 or marking down on their preference lists. I bias my games toward DIAS simply because they are rarely offered.

As for your last five games ending in wins, don't forget you're offering a tangible prize for the winners. A cheap East German bottle opener may not be the main reason for winning, but it's a nice incentive. Both Keith Sherwood and I won here after failing in dozens of other games in other zones. Ask us why and you'll find the bottle opener second or third on our list of reasons.

((But you're forgetting the hand engraved certificate that goes along with the opener. What will happen to the games when I run out of openers. I've only got 2 or 3 left, and I won't be in East Berlin again for a long time...))

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#### UNITED HOCKEY: The Season Begins

I've just received rosters from seven teams, with two more signed up to play but no roster. Those two managers and anyone else wishing to play in the first division have until NOVEMBER 10 to submit a roster. Any teams entering after that will be placed in a separate second division.

The initial lineups are as follows. You have until the first deadline to make corrections.

##### COCHONS (Lu Henry)

GK: Walegard FW: Moutinho , Fortes , Sabi , Gallagher , Fauchille , Salonen , Siviero , Harjanne , Biasion DF: Toivonen , Cresto , Kankkunen , Piironen .

##### REDWOOD F/X (Kevin Tighe)

GK: George Pal FW: Conrad Veidt , Lou Chaney , Boris Karloff , Peter Cushing , Christopher Lee , Vincent Price , Peter Lorre , Claude Rains , Bela Lugosi , John Carradine , Zo Tamerlig , Lou Chaney Jr. DF: Alfred Hitchcock , Fritz Lang , Hideto Ogata , William Castle .

##### NICE GUYS (Bill Becker)

GK: Goldie Glove FW: Cole Hands , Warren Heart , Gustav Wind , Sam Bony , Peter Chills , Hy Perthermia DF: Blade Runner , Killer Frost , N Forcer , Bobby Czech , Noel NumNose , Buck Passer .

##### SOCKHEADS OF THE COLD KLONDIKE (S.O.C.K.) (David Anderson)

GK: Bobby Sock FW: Robin , Underdog , Mr. Ed , Simon BarSinister , Polly Purebred , Wilbur DF: GI Joe , Commander Mindbender , Vestro , Batman , Alfred , Aunt Harriet .

##### MISSOURI POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (MOPAC) (Noel Blythe)

GK: Harry S. Truman FW: David Rice Atchison , Thomas Hart Benton , Richard "Silver Dick" Bland , James "Champ" Clark , Francis Cockrell , Thomas Crittenden DF: Meredith Miles Marmaduke , Lewis Linn , David Barton , Austin King , Warren Hearnnes , James T. Blair .

##### EAT YOUR VEGETABLES (VEGIES) (James Goode)

GK: Pumpkin FW: Bean , Broccoli , Cabbage , Cauliflower , Corn , Eggplant , Okra , Pea , Spinach DF: Carrot , Garlic , Onion , Yam .

##### HAVANA CONEJOS (Jake Halverstadt)

GK: Salvador Allende FW: Cesar Sandino , Jose Marti , Carlos Fonseca , Ruben Davario , Carlos Rafeal Rodrigues , Bernardo O'Higgins , Jacobo Arbenz , Juan Arevalo , Rafael Caldera , Maurice Bishop DF: Simon Bolivar , Che Guevara , Michael Manley , Jose Maria Morelos , Victor Paz .

##### schedule for SESSION I

1: COCHONS at REDWOOD F/X; NICE GUYS at S.O.C.K; MOPAC at VEGIES; CONEJOS bye  
2: REDWOOD F/X at NICE GUYS; S.O.C.K at MOPAC; VEGIES at CONEJOS; COCHONS bye  
3: NICE GUYS at COCHONS; S.O.C.K at REDWOOD F/X; CONEJOS at MOPAC; VEGIES bye

Deadline for SESSION I is NOVEMBER 10. Early bird deadline is November 3 for 1 VP. Pick a number from 00 to 99 for the lottery; perfect match wins 1 VP, match one digit for 1/2 VP. Once I know the full field of teams I can give you the season schedule.

Since we have an odd number of teams at the moment, we can't avoid byes in the first session. Teams drawing a bye this session will be given \$25,000 and 1/2 VP to keep up with their peers. If the games are made up the league will take them back. All teams will begin with 1 VP so these first matches can be scouted. No team has any cash remaining, so no use having an auction yet. Good luck and let's play hockey!

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Enclosed for each of you is a sample of POMMES. As I explain there, I got a good deal at my printer. This is my way of passing my good fortune on to you. Also I explain there the problems I've had with my address list, which is why I couldn't print any sub balances this time. If you owe me money you get a one month reprieve. It turns out that my disk drive is bad, so as soon as this is printed off to the shop it goes. I can't save anything on disk with any confidence now, so this thing took some extra time to type up. I don't feel like typing anymore...